## **HOUSE BILL 831**

By Jones

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 17, Part 4 and Title 40, relative to marijuana.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-418(a), is amended by redesignating existing language as subdivision (a)(1) and adding the following language as a new subdivision (a)(2):

Notwithstanding subdivision (a)(1), it is not an offense for a person to knowingly possess marijuana in an amount less than one (1) ounce (28.35 grams).

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-417(g)(1), is amended by deleting the language "not less than one-half (1/2) ounce (14.175 grams)" and substituting instead the language "not less than one (1) ounce (28.35 grams)".

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2017, the public welfare requiring it.